



## ***Press Release***

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### DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES & HISTORY ANNOUNCES MONTH-LONG SERIES OF SPECIAL EXHIBITS & EVENTS TO CELEBRATE AMERICAN ARCHIVES MONTH

In October, the Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH) will join archival repositories across the nation in celebrating Archives Month. The agency will present a series of special exhibits and events to showcase fascinating historical collections and to inform the public about the important service that archives provide to all Alabamians by collecting, preserving, and sharing our history.

#### **Schedule of Archives Month 2014 Special Exhibits & Events:**

##### **October 4, 10am – 4pm**

##### **Archives Crawl**

The ADAH will partner with Alabama Public Television, Alabama State University, Auburn University at Montgomery, and H. Councill Trenholm State Technical College for an Archives Crawl. Visit the archives at each institution to see special exhibits and learn about its historical collections while collecting passport stamps along the way. Visitors who complete their passport on October 4<sup>th</sup> will be entered to win a full year's subscription to ancestry.com and an ancestry.com DNA kit. Transportation between stops will be available. The Crawl continues all month long. Complete your passport by October 31<sup>st</sup> and be entered to win other exciting prizes.

##### **October 6 – 11**

##### **Constitution Week**

For the first time, all six of Alabama's state constitutions, the earliest dating to 1819, will be exhibited together.

##### **October 13 – 18**

##### **Alabama Tourism Week**

Vintage postcards, brochures, & other tourism ephemera from the ADAH's collection will be displayed.

##### **October 16 at Noon**

##### **ArchiTreats: Food For Thought**

*See Alabama First: the Story of Alabama Tourism* presented by Tim Hollis.

##### **October 18, 9 am – Noon**

##### **Untangling the Web: Discovering Your Alabama Ancestors in Cyberspace**

A Saturday genealogy workshop led by the ADAH's expert genealogist Nancy Dupree.

**October 20 - 25****Alabama Voices Week**

Learn how the ADAH preserves audiovisual collections with special showings of films and music presentations all week long.

**October 23 at 6pm*****Journey Proud* Season Premiere Screening**

Alabama Public Television will screen the new season premiere of its *Journey Proud* series in the ADAH's Joseph M. Farley Auditorium.

**October 27 – November 1****Personal Digital Archives Week**

The ADAH will offer presentations about how to care for your personal archives including digital photos, emails, blogs, and more.

**November 3 – 8****World War I Week**

Documents and photos that tell the story of Alabamians during WWI will be exhibited.

**November 9****Opening of *Alabama Treasures***

The Museum of Alabama's (located at the ADAH) new temporary World War I exhibit, *Alabamians and the Great War*, opens in the museum's new *Alabama Treasures* gallery.

All special exhibits and presentations will be held at the Alabama Department of Archives and History, located in downtown Montgomery across the street from the State Capitol on Washington Avenue. With the exception of the genealogy workshop on October 18<sup>th</sup>, all exhibits and events are FREE to the public. For more information, please visit

[www.archives.alabama.gov](http://www.archives.alabama.gov) or call (334) 353-3312.

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